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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re                          | Application of:  | )           |                            |
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| E. Steinkirchner et al.        |  | )           |                            |
| Serial No. 10/712,417          |  | )           | Examiner: Unknown          |
| Filing Date: November 12, 2003 |  | )           | Group Art Unit No. Unknown |
| For                            | METHOD, PREPARATIONS,<br>COMPUTER LEGIBLE AGENT AND<br>COMPUTER PROGRAM ELEMENT<br>FOR PROCESS CONTROL | )<br>)<br>) |                            |

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please amend this application as follows: